

current adaptive management strategies which both respond to the purpose and need for action, and mitigate potential adverse impacts to surface water and groundwater resources from well operations. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) published a notice of availability (NOA) of the DEIS in the **Federal Register** on May 25, 2012 [77–31355; ER–FRL–9003–2]. The NOA provided for a public comment period ending on July 9, 2012.

DATES: Due to the extenuating circumstances caused by the Little Bear wildfire, several individuals and organizations have requested an extension of the comment period. The Forest Service has decided to accommodate these requests; therefore, comments will now be accepted through September 7, 2012. Comments received or postmarked after September 7, 2012 will be considered to the extent practicable. Those parties who submit comments on or before this date will be eligible appeal a decision on the project in accordance with 36 CFR part 215.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the DEIS are available for public review at the following locations:

- *Lincoln National Forest Supervisor's Office:* 3463 Las Palomas Road, Alamogordo, New Mexico.
- *Smokey Bear Ranger District:* 901 Mechem Drive, Ruidoso, New Mexico.

Written comments on the DEIS are best submitted electronically by accessing <http://www.fs.fed.us/nepa/fs-usda-pop.php?project=9603>. To electronically comment, select 'Comment on Project' in the 'Get Connected' box on the right side of Web page. Written comments may also be submitted to: Robert G. Trujillo, Forest Supervisor, Lincoln National Forest, 3463 Las Palomas Rd., Alamogordo, NM 88310, or facsimile 575–434–7218. Oral comments can be provided at the Responsible Official's office during normal business hours (8 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, excluding holidays), via telephone 575–434–7200, or in person.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Debbie McGlothlin, Environmental Coordinator, TEAMS Enterprise Unit, at 559–920–4952.

Dated: June 25, 2012.

Robert G. Trujillo,
Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[B–47–2012]

Foreign-Trade Zone 74—Baltimore, MD, Notification of Proposed Production Activity, J.D. Neuhaus LP (Overhead Lifting Equipment Production) Sparks, MD

The Baltimore Development Corporation, grantee of FTZ 74, submitted a notification of proposed production activity on behalf of J.D. Neuhaus LP (J.D. Neuhaus), located in Sparks, Maryland. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on June 13, 2012.

The J.D. Neuhaus facility is located within Site 27 of FTZ 74. The facility is used for the production of customized overhead lifting equipment. Production under FTZ procedures could exempt J.D. Neuhaus from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, J.D. Neuhaus would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to overhead lifting equipment and their parts, including hoist and trolley systems, winches, and cranes (duty free) for the foreign status inputs noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

Components and materials sourced from abroad include: air and hydraulic powered hoist and trolley subassemblies and parts, cranes/winches and related parts, hoist chain, lubricating oils, plastic air hoses, rubber gaskets and o-rings, fasteners, springs, air filters, air pressure regulators, valves and related parts, and bearings and bearing components (duty rate ranges from free to 9%). The request indicates that certain bearings and bearing components are subject to an antidumping/countervailing duty (AD/CVD) order. The FTZ regulations (15 CFR 400.14(e)) require that merchandise subject to AD/CVD actions be admitted to the zone in privileged foreign status (19 CFR 146.41).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the Board's Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is August 13, 2012.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 2111, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington,

DC 20230–0002, and in the "Reading Room" section of the Board's Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Diane Finver at Diane.Finver@trade.gov (202) 482–1367.

Dated: June 25, 2012.

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Bureau of Industry and Security

Emerging Technology and Research Advisory Committee; Notice of Open Meeting

The Emerging Technology and Research Advisory Committee (ETRAC) will meet on July 20, 2012, 8:30 a.m., Room 3884, at the Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW., Washington, DC. The Committee advises the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Export Administration on emerging technology and research activities, including those related to deemed exports.

Agenda

Friday, July 20

Open Session

9–9:45 a.m. Export Control Update—Messrs. Wolf, Borman and Kritzer—Bureau of Industry and Security.
9:45–10:30 a.m. Dual-Use Research of Concern—Dr. Tierney.
10:45–11:45 a.m. President's Export Control Subcommittee on Export Administration Briefing—Mr. Breaux.

11:45–12 p.m. Public Comments
1 p.m.–2 p.m. Encryption- Emerging Technologies & Implications for the Research Community—Dr. Tierney.
2–3:30 p.m. General Discussion & Public Comments.
3:30 p.m. Adjourn.

The open session will be accessible via teleconference to 20 participants on a first come, first serve basis. To the conference, submit inquiries to Ms. Yvette Springer at Yvette.Springer@bis.doc.gov, no later than July 12, 2012.

A limited number of seats will be available for the public session. Reservations are not accepted. To the extent that time permits, members of the public may present oral statements to the Committee. The public may submit written statements at any time before or

after the meeting. However, to facilitate the distribution of public presentation materials to the Committee members, the Committee suggests that presenters forward the public presentation materials prior to the meeting to Ms. Springer via email.

For more information, call Yvette Springer at (202) 482-2813.

Dated: June 27, 2012.

Teresa Telesco,

Assistant Committee Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

[A-433-811, A-570-985]

Xanthan Gum From Austria and the People's Republic of China: Initiation of Antidumping Duty Investigations

AGENCY: Import Administration, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: *Effective Date:* July 2, 2012.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Karine Gziryan or Maisha Cryor at (202) 482-4081 or (202) 482-5831, respectively (Austria), AD/CVD Operations, Office 4; or Brandon Farlander or Erin Kearney at (202) 482-0182 or (202) 482-0167, respectively (the People's Republic of China (the "PRC")), AD/CVD Operations, Office 4, Import Administration, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Petitions

On June 5, 2012, the Department of Commerce (the "Department") received antidumping duty ("AD") petitions concerning imports of xanthan gum from Austria and the People's Republic of China ("PRC") filed in proper form by CP Kelco U.S. ("Petitioner").¹ Petitioner is a domestic producer of xanthan gum. On June 8, 2012, the Department requested additional information and clarification of certain areas of the Petitions. Petitioner filed responses to these requests on June 13, 2012 (hereinafter, "Supplement to the Austria Petition" and "Supplement to the PRC Petition"). Additionally, on June 13, 2012, Archer Daniels Midland, a domestic producer of xanthan gum,

¹ See Petitions for the Imposition of Antidumping Duties on Xanthan Gum from the People's Republic of China and Austria, filed on June 5, 2012 (the "Petitions").

submitted information regarding its 2011 production of xanthan gum (hereinafter, "ADM production letter"). On June 19, 2012, Petitioner submitted additional information regarding its constructed value surrogate financial ratios.

In accordance with section 732(b) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the "Act"), Petitioner alleges that imports of xanthan gum from Austria and the PRC are being, or are likely to be, sold in the United States at less than fair value within the meaning of section 731 of the Act and that such imports are materially injuring, or threatening material injury to, an industry in the United States. Also, consistent with section 732(b)(1) of the Act, the Petitions are accompanied by information reasonably available to Petitioner supporting its allegations.

The Department finds that Petitioner filed these Petitions on behalf of the domestic industry because it is an interested party as defined in section 771(9)(C) of the Act and has demonstrated sufficient industry support with respect to the initiation of the AD investigations that Petitioner is requesting. See the "Determination of Industry Support for the Petitions" section below.

Period of Investigation

Because the Petitions were filed on June 5, 2012, the period of investigation ("POI") for the PRC investigation is October 1, 2011, through March 31, 2012. The POI for the Austria investigation is April 1, 2011, through March 31, 2012.²

Scope of the Investigations

The products covered by these investigations are xanthan gum from Austria and the PRC. For a full description of the scope of the investigations, see the "Scope of the Investigations," in Appendix I of this notice.

Comments on Scope of Investigations

During our review of the Petitions, we discussed the scope with Petitioner to ensure that it is an accurate reflection of the products for which the domestic industry is seeking relief. Moreover, as discussed in the preamble to the regulations (*Antidumping Duties; Countervailing Duties; Final Rule*, 62 FR 27296, 27323 (May 19, 1997)), we are setting aside a period for interested parties to raise issues regarding product coverage. The Department encourages all interested parties to submit such comments by July 16, 2012, 5:00 p.m.

² See 19 CFR 351.204(b)(1).

Eastern Standard Time, 20 calendar days from the signature date of this notice. All comments must be filed on the records of the Austria and the PRC AD investigations. All comments and submissions to the Department must be filed electronically using Import Administration's Antidumping Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (IA ACCESS).³ An electronically filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by the Department's electronic records system, IA ACCESS, by the time and date noted above. Documents excepted from the electronic submission requirements must be filed manually (*i.e.*, in paper form) with Import Administration's APO/Dockets Unit, Room 1870, U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230, and stamped with the date and time of receipt by the deadline noted above.

The period of scope comments is intended to provide the Department with ample opportunity to consider all comments and to consult with parties prior to the issuance of the preliminary determinations.

Comments on Product Characteristics for Antidumping Questionnaires

The Department requests comments from interested parties regarding the appropriate physical characteristics of xanthan gum to be reported in response to the Department's AD questionnaires. This information will be used to identify the key physical characteristics of the merchandise under consideration in order to report the relevant factors and costs of production accurately as well as to develop appropriate product-comparison criteria.

Interested parties may provide any information or comments that they feel are relevant to the development of an accurate list of physical characteristics. Specifically, they may provide comments as to which characteristics are appropriate to use as (1) general product characteristics and (2) the product-comparison criteria. We find that it is not always appropriate to use all product characteristics as product-comparison criteria. We base product-comparison criteria on meaningful commercial differences among products.

³ See *Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Electronic Filing Procedures; Administrative Protective Order Procedures*, 76 FR 39263 (July 6, 2011) for details of the Department's electronic filing requirements, which went into effect on August 5, 2011. Information on help using IAACCESS can be found at <https://iaaccess.trade.gov/help.aspx> and a handbook can be found at <https://iaaccess.trade.gov/help/Handbook%20on%20Electronic%20Filing%20Procedures.pdf>.